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By RMG, NARS, Date 5/10/77

TO: Mr. Johnson

FROM: Colonel Burris

RE: NSC Meeting, Saturday April 29

The principal subject for discussion at the Saturday NSC meeting is the report of the Department of Defense task force group, sometimes referred to as the Gilpatric Report. As you will recall, Mr. Bowles asked at the Thursday meeting that consideration of the report be deferred in order to permit further study by State. Apparently, considerable objections have arisen in State over the assignment of primary responsibility for the study as well as implied primary responsibility for the overall effort to Defense. Apparently, State feels that sufficient emphasis has not been accorded to the political importance of this mission.

According to Mr. Bundy's office, members of the Security Council have considerable interest in reactions of the Legislative Branch to Thursday's presentation. You will be expected to reflect these views in Saturday's discussions.

Although not listed as an Agenda item, it is expected that the situation in Laos will be discussed.

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